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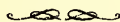
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OFFICERS

Names read as follows:

Rev. D. P. Lewis	-----	Moderator
Rev. G. W. Thomas	-----	Vice-Moderator
Rev. W. A. Blackwell	-----	Clerk
Rev. Frank Smith	-----	Corresponding Secretary
Bro. J. C. Thomas	-----	Treasurer
Bro. S. H. Puryear	-----	Auditor

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORDAINING COUNCIL

Their names read as follows:

Rev. J. C. Lyon
Rev. D. P. Lewis
Rev. G. L. Smith
Rev. J. T. Peace
Rev. J. L. Yancey
Rev. G. W. Thomas

COUNTY LINE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

ART. I. This body shall be known as "THE COUNTY LINE BAPTIST ASSO."

ART. II. The object of this association shall be the promotion of Christ's Kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity with the New Testament. Each pastor will be required to encourage Christian Education in general, to urge home and foreign missions, and to do all in his power to support an active prayer meeting and help to build a strong Sunday School in his church.

ART. III. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches connected with it, each church being entitled to at least two delegates. Ministers who are members of the churches connected with this body, and ministers who are pastoring church or churches of this body shall be considered members of this Association ex-officio having all of the rights of the Association; and ministers who are not in charge or connected with churches within the bounds of this Association, who present testimonials of good standing in the Baptist denomination, may become members of this Association by paying one dollar (\$1.00) annually; also any layman in good standing in the Baptist Church may become an annual member by the payment of fifty cents (.50) annually.

ART. IV. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment, giving an account of the condition of the church, and a statement of all funds contributed for benevolent purposes during the year.

ART. V. The officers of his body shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and a statistician, whose duties shall be such as are generally performed by such officers. In addition there shall be appointed a Home Mission Board, Foreign Mission Board, Ministerial Board, and an Executive Board, which later shall have charge of the work of the Association during intermission of its annual session. Officers of the Association shall constitute the Executive Board, other members may be added to this board, if the Association deems it necessary.

ART. V. (a.) Amendment: That a Woman's Auxiliary will be organized forthwith; the said Auxiliary will be governed by the Executive Board of the County Line Association.

ART. V. It shall be the duty of the moderator to preside during the deliberations of the body, to enforce an observance of the constitution, to preserve the decorum, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion concerning any subject under discussion after others have spoken or when called upon, and give the casting vote if a tie.

ART. VII. It shall be the duty of the vice-moderator to preside in the absence, or at the request of the moderator.

ART. VIII. It shall be the duty of the clerk to report the proceedings of each annual session and superintend the printing and distribution of minutes among the churches.

ART. IV. It shall be the duty of the treasurer to receive all funds sent up from the churches or collected during the session of the body, and disburse the same for the purpose for which they were sent or collected. He shall not pay any order on the treasury except it is signed by the moderator and clerk of the Association.

ART. X. Any church desiring to become a member of this body shall present her petition at an annual session of the association through delegates appointed for that purpose, and if the Association shall consent to receive her the moderator shall extend to the delegate the right hand of fellowship.

ART. XI. This Association shall not maintain fellowship with any church that does not preserve Gospel order.

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ART. XII. This Association may invite brethren to seats and extend to them all privileges of the body save that of voting.

ART. XIII. The Association shall meet on Wednesday after the second Sunday in July and continue through Thursday of the same week.

ART. XIV. We will receive no ministers or laymen into this Association but those who have a good moral character.

ART. XV. Any Baptist Sunday School or Missionary Society within the bounds of this Association may become a member of the Association by sending voluntary contributions. Each shall be entitled to one delegate.

ART. XVI. We will withdraw the right hand of fellowship from every minister who walks disorderly and contrary to the Gospel rule.

ART. XVII. The officers of this Association shall be elected every two years and verified by two-thirds of the members presents.

ART. XVIII. This Association shall open and close each meeting with prayer.

ART. XIX. That representation fee shall be five cents per capita. That twelve months notice will be submitted in writing to change or amend any article in the constitution.

ART. XX. A vote of two-thirds shall be requested to alter any item of this Constitution.

Committee on Constitution:

Rev. G. W. Thomas
Thomas Hawkins
Bro. L. S. Burton
Bro. Joff Satterwhite
Bro. Westly Wilkenson

ENROLLMENT OF MESSENGERS AND CHURCHES

1. Vernor Hill—Bro. J. C. Thomas and Bro. R. B. Jay.
2. Goshen Hill—Bro. D. C. Cunningham and Bro. M. A. Allen.
3. Blue Wing—Bro. O. L. Cunningham and Bro. Wm. Royster.
4. N. J. Creek—Bro. F. A. Clark and Bro. S. H. Puryear.
5. St. Matthew—Bro. J. S. Smith and Bro. Howard Royster.
6. New Grassy Creek—Bro. Gold Smith and Bro. Robt. Harris.
7. Mt. Spring—Bro. Aston Green and Bro. John Harris.
8. Harris Hill—Bro. Albert Thomas.
9. White Rock—Bro. Osco Green and Bro. John Harris.
10. Aarons Creek—Bro. Joseph Royster and Bro. M. A. Smith.
11. Baptist Grove—Bro. G. Green and Bro. Patrick Lewis.
12. Davis Chapel—Bro. W. S. Smith and Bro. J. G. Morton.
13. Hardy Grove—Bro. L. A. Hays and Bro. T. G. Nutall.
14. New Corinth—Bro. David Downey and Bro. Matt Chavis.
15. Mt. Gideon—Bro. Alfred Tuck and Bro. Simon Yancey.
16. Nelson Chapel—Bro. Wesley Wilkerson.
17. Michels Creek—Bro. Nelson and Bro. G. Heggie.
18. Whetstone—Bro. Claude Pettiford and Bro. C. A. Nuttall.
19. Stovall Chapel—Bro. James Morton and Bro. W. Cooper.
20. New Hope Grove—Bro. Ned Satterfield.
21. Morning Star—Bro. Archer Smith.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS

1.	Rev. J. C. Lyon	Rt. 1, Oxford, N. C.
2.	Rev. J. T. Peace	Oxford, N. C.
3.	Rev. J. L. Yancey	Virgilina, Va.
4.	Rev. D. P. Lewis	Louisburg, N. C.
5.	Rev. G. L. Smith	Oxford, N. C.
6.	Rev. E. D. Smith	Rt. 2, Virgilina, Va.
7.	Rev. M. G. Green	Rt. 1, Oxford, N. C.
8.	Rev. W. A. Blackwell	Rt. 4, Box 144, Oxford, N. C.
9.	Rev. J. S. Smith	Roxboro, N. C.
10.	Rev. H. H. Hoskins	Rt. 4, Oxford, N. C.
11.	Rev. James Morton	Rt. 5, Virgilina, Va.
12.	Rev. P. J. Johns	Rt. 4, Oxford, N. C.
13.	Rev. Samuel Harris	Oxford, N. C.
14.	Rev. G. W. Thomas	Oxford, N. C.
15.	Rev. Batt Green	Oxford, N. C.
16.	Rev. James Royster	Oxford, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

The County Line Missionary Baptist Association met with the Davis Chapel Baptist Church July 12, 1933 at 10:30 a. m. Song and opening hymn 11, verses of the 14th Chapter of Revelations was read by Rev. J. L. Yancey. Prayer was offered by Bro. J. W. Royster. Then Rev. J. L. Yancey sang, "Come By Here." After which a period of fifteen (15) minutes was given Testimonies, which was briefly carried out. After this the service was turned over to the moderator.

The hour having arrived for the welcome address, the speaker being absent, Rev. W. A. Blackwell gave the welcome address and Rev. J. H. A. Jenkins responded in well chosen words.

The constitution was then read by the Secretary. Next the response on hours of meeting was received with an amendment to meet at 9:00 a. m. and adjourn at 4:00 p. m.

Next a response from the messenger of each church.

First Bro. Matt Chavis of New Corinth said they were doing well.

Second White Rock—Bro. John Harris reported they were doing very well.

Third Blue Wing reported they were getting on very nicely.

Fourth Whet Stone—Bro. Charlie Nutall reported they were getting on fine.

Fifth New Grassy Creek reported they were doing good work.

Sixth Davis Chapel reported that they were doing well.

Seventh Vernal Hill—Bro. Jack Thomas reported that they were doing good.

Eighth Goshen Hill—Bro. D. Cunningham reported doing fine.

Ninth St. Matthew—Bro. J. Smith reported getting on very well.

Tenth New Johnson Creek—Bro. S. H. Puryear reported that they were doing fine.

Eleventh Hartie Grove—Bro. T. G. Nutall reported doing very good work.

Twelfth Baptist Grove—Bro. Gener Green reported getting along nicely.

Thirteenth Nelson Chapel—Bro. Wesly Wilkerson reported doing good.

Fourteenth Mt. Gideon reported doing nicely.

After the reports from different churches some wonderful remarks were given by Rev. J. C. Lyon. Next the hymn "I Will Guide Thee With Mine Eye", was sung by Rev. H. Haskins. Then the Vice Moderator took the chair.

The Moderator ascended the rostrum and proceeded to deliver an address.

In the address was a good and noble to the body full of thoughts and logic that if put into practice will be an improvement to any association or people. Also he said the Woman's Auxiliary should be given a larger part to raise more money and each Sunday represent in this Association.

A motion passed to have a committee on the Moderator address.

The committee reads as follows:

Rev. M. G. Green

Rev. H. Haskins

Rev. G. L. Smith

Rev. J. L. Yancey

Rev. J. H. A. Jenkins

After which a collection was lifted amounting to \$2.05.

Benediction by Rev. J. C. Lyon, Rev. D. P. Lewis, Moderator, Rev. W. A. Blackwell, Secretary.

FIRST DAY EVENING SESSION

The Association reassembled at 2:00 p. m. Praise service was conducted by Rev. G. L. Smith and Rev. Batt Green. Rev. Green sang hymn No. 299, "Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove", etc. Also from the 9th to the 17th verse of the 5th Chapter of St. Matthew was read by Rev. B. Green. Then prayer was offered by Bro.

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L. A. Green. The Moderator then arose and thanked the Brethren for the brief service. Next the minutes were read; received and adopted with necessary corrections, after which the visiting brethren were introduced to the body. Their names read as follows:

Bro. J. S. Dickerson
Bro. Tom Penny
Bro. Arch Smith
Bro. Carrington
Bro. A. Peace

Then Rev. M. G. Green, Rev. Samuel Harris and Rev. Batt Green ascended the rostrum. Rev. M. G. Green sang hymn No. 640 "Bless Be the Tie That Binds". Prayer was offered by Rev. H. Haskins. Rev. Samuel Harris sang "Everybody Ought to Pray Sometimes". Then thanked the committee for using his name on the program. He chose for his text the 11th verse of the 9th Chapter of the gospel according to the Acts. From which he preached a soul stirring sermon to delight of the body. Then an offering was lifted by Bro. T. G. Nutall which amounted to \$5.00.

Then Rev. J. W. Royster and Rev. M. G. Green were asked to ascend the rostrum and preach. There were a few spare moments at this time. The question arose about the Mitchels Creek Baptist church.

The Moderator asked for the letter to be read, the Secretary did not have the letter. The Moderator accepted verbal statement of the gist of the letter. Then Rev. Frank Smith arose and gave a statement for his church. The Moderator then ruled to wait until Thursday a. m. Next a motion to adjourn.

Rev. D. P. Lewis, Moderator
Rev. W. A. Blackwell, Secretary

SECOND DAY MORNING SESSION

Praise Service was conducted by Rev. Batt Green and Bro. J. W. Royster sang hymn No. 700 "My Soul Be on Thy Guard". Rev. Green read for scripture lesson the 3rd Chapter of the Gospel according to St. John.

Then Prayer was offered by Bro. C. A. Nutall after which Rev. J. W. Royster made some brief remarks.

On meeting hours another song, and space was given for testimonies. This was a very spiritual meeting or service after a few minutes the service was turned over to the Moderator. Next the Moderator announced the house ready for business and called for the minutes of the first day afternoon session which was read, received and adopted with necessary corrections. Next the report of committee on Moderator's address was received and adopted with necessary corrections.

The following brethren and sisters were introduced to this Association:

Bro. Henry Lyon
Rev. W. M. Wilson
Bro. Chester White
Bro. J. C. Thomas
Bro. A. B. Johnson
Sister M. J. Lyon
Miss M. A. Burwell
Mrs. J. H. A. Jenkins
Bro. Miris Jeffres

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Each one gave fitting remarks. Then a song was lead by Rev. W. A. Blackwell.

Next a motion was passed to let the Moderator's address be printed just as it is written. Then Miss L. A. Royster came forward and delivered an address to the delight of all who heard her.

Rev. J. C. Lyon, the Moderator of the County Line Union made his report from the Union to the Association about having received a letter from the Mitchels Creek Baptist church to withdraw from this Association and wish for them to come back and again unite with this body.

Then the Moderator, Rev. D. P. Lewis went to Mitchels Creek and gave the matter a thorough investigation in the love of Christ. And the church decided to reunite with us.

Rev. D. P. Lewis, Moderator

Rev. W. A. Blackwell, Secretary

SECOND DAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Praise service was conducted by Rev. J. T. Peace and Rev. G. L. Smith. Rev. Peace read for scripture lesson Psalm 1st. Prayer was offered by Bro. Lassiter. A song was then lead by Rev. G. L. Smith. Next minutes of the second day fore-noon session were read, received and adopted with necessary corrections, after which the Home Mission Workers came forward. First a song "What a Fellowship" was lead by Mrs. Maud Lassiter. Next Miss A. M. Burwell came forward and gave the fundamental of the sisters who are on the field for three minutes. Next a paper by Mrs. Mami Wilson, subject: "Coming Home of the Generation." Next a paper by Mrs. W. L. Chavis.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

We your Committee on Sunday School beg to leave the following report. That each Church in this Association will have a very accurate Sunday School. With a regular attendance, and that the old people will take more interest in instructing and encouraging young people in Sunday School work and strive to train them for future church.

We further recommend that each Pastor and office holder will take more interest in explaining the necessity of attending Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted:

Mrs. John Stovall
Rev. J. W. Royster
Bro. J. W. Royster

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND LETTERS

Rev. G. L. Smith
Bro. A. L. Cunningham
Bro. R. B. Jay

Blue Wing	\$ 4.05
Stovall Chapel	2.55
New Grassy Creek	3.00
Davis Chapel	3.00
Mt. Springs	.60
Mt. Gideon	1.50
St. Matthew	3.00
Goshen Hill	1.20
Aaron Creek	1.50
Vernon Hill	1.72
Harris Hill	.50
White Rock	2.80
New Johnson Creek	5.40
Whet Stone	2.00
Baptist Grove	2.00
Hantie Grove	4.30
New Corinth (Foreign Missions \$1.00)	5.00
Nelson Chapel	.50
New Hope Granville	2.00
Morning Star	2.00
Total amount from churches	\$49.67

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. G. L. Smith
Bro. A. L. Cunningham
Bro. R. B. Jay

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

For Moderator -----	\$ 4.00
For Secretary No. 1 -----	4.00
For Secretary No. 2 -----	2.00
For Introduction Sermon -----	2.00
For Compiling Minutes -----	5.00
For Foreign Missions -----	2.00
For Orphan Asylum -----	6.00
For General Expenses -----	8.40
For Doctrinal Sermon -----	2.00
For Colored Hospital -----	2.00
For Shaw University -----	2.00
For Janitor -----	1.00
For Educational Benefit -----	3.00
Donated to Bro. Edward Carrington -----	2.00
Total amount paid out -----	\$45.40
Leave for Treasurer -----	26.60
X -----	2.00
	28.60
Mitchels Creek -----	3.00
	31.60
For Printing Minutes -----	25.00
Balance in Treasury -----	\$ 6.60

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOSPITALITY

We your Committee on Hospitality wish to make the following report. We wish to say that the Pastor, Deacons, members and friends of the Davis Chapel Baptist Church have spared no pains in making it pleasant during this sitting.

Ministers, Deacons and friends of the County Line Missionary Baptist Association shall leave this place carrying pleasant memories of you and shall pray God's blessing upon this Pasto and most hospitable people.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. Samuel Harris
Bro. Willie Webb
Bro. Alford Tuck

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

We your Committee on Time and Place beg to report as follows: That the next annual sitting will be held with the New Grassy Creek Baptist Church Wednesday and Thursday after the second Sunday in July, 1934.

Respectfully submitted:

Bro. M. A. Smith
Bro. Oscar Green
Bro. L. A. Hayes

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES

We your Committee on New Churches wish to report that the Morning Star Baptist Church wishes to become a member of this Association.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. Batt Green
Bro. F. A. Clark
Bro. Robert Howard

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

We your Committee on Education desire to submit the following report: Whereas the demands for home and foreign missions are continually increasing, and whereas the cause of mission and education must go on, and whereas the primary objective of the Missionary Baptist Churches is to extend God's Kingdom in the home and foreign fields we offer the following:

1. That each Pastor of the County Line Association will stress the importance of home and foreign missions.
2. That each church will observe an educational and mission day once per year.
3. That the money raised on that day will be designated as educational and mission funds and sent to the annual session.
4. That each Auxiliary of the various churches will unite in one great effort for the cause of missions and education.
5. That the day of this annual session will be appointed by the officials of the Sunday School Union and County Line Association.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. G. W. Thomas
Bro. James Morton
Bro. Dudley Cunningham

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ELECTION OF OFFICERS

We your Committee on Electing Officers beg to report that all officers shall remain in their office except Bro. L. S. Burton. We also recommend Bro. Bro. S. H. Puryear in his stead for auditor.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. H. Haskins
Rev. J. L. Yancey
Bro. S. H. Puryear
Bro. Willie Morton
Bro. Gald Smith
Bro. C. A. Hall
Bro. T. J. Nutall

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MODERATOR'S ADDRESS

We your Committee on Moderator's address wish to report that we have studied out the Moderator's address and think it would be good for the Association to put it in practice, therefore we recommend that the same be put in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. M. G. Green
Rev. J. L. Yancey
Rev. H. Haskins
Rev. J. H. A. Jenkins
Rev. G. L. Smith

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM

We your Committee on Program wish to report the following:

1. That the Introductory Sermon will be preached by Rev. H. Haskins, Rev. Frank Smith his alternate.
2. The Doctrinal Sermon will be preached by Rev. J. T. Peace, Rev. Ed. Smith his alternate.

Respectfully submitted:

Rev. J. H. A. Jenkins
Mrs. Maud Lassiter
Bro. F. A. Clark
Bro. T. G. Nutall

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Brother Moderator, Officers and Members of the County Line Baptist Association:

It is a pleasure to appear before you in this very exalted position. I regard it a great honor to be held in such high esteem by my brethren. The greatest service a man can render is to answer to the best of his ability any religious call made upon him by his brethren. I am happy to see you here assembled in this seventh annual session of this grand body—The County Line Baptist Association. I thank God for your presence. I thank you for your sustained interest in me during these years that I have been your servant.

Let me express our sincere thanks and deep appreciation to the pastor and members of Davis' Chapel church for opening their doors and welcoming us to come in; at a time when a sister church had on her initiative and free will invited us to come and be her guest, then before we could arrive, inform us that we were not welcome. May God, who is the just judge of all the earth, judge between that church and this Association in this matter.

Brethren of Davis Chapel we trust that our sojourn with you may be as great a blessing to you as the Ark of the Covenant was to Obbededom as long as it remained in his house. God greatly blessed Obbededom, and all his household for receiving the Ark at a time when it did not have any home. You will not lose your reward for this deed of kindness in receiving this association into your house.

As we approach the close of another associational year, it is fitting that we should think for a few moments of what lies behind us. We shall not restrict ourselves to the events of this year which is about to end. Those events are as fresh in your mind as they are in mine. Many of them are discouraging and depressing enough. All sorts of losses have been sustained. Yet, on the whole, a review of our experiences and the way we have come will issue in a tribute of praise to God for His goodness. Then we may turn our faces to the future with confidence and courage, that the worse is over and the bitter has passed.

We should thank God for keeping the founders of this Association alive and active. For those men under God that have guided this Association through a period of depression such as the world has not seen before. These are trying times in which we are living. It is very difficult for institutions and organizations to live and function. Many strong organizations that were much older than this Association were not able to stand the storms of the past four years. They have collapsed and oblivion, never to rise any more into usefulness and service. We should praise God for keeping us as an Association during these crucial times in fellowship, in the unity of the spirit, in the border of peace, and with faith in the future. We thank God for bringing us together in the seventh annual session of this Association, where we may be inspired and our spiritual strength renewed.

Brethren there is but one thing that should receive the primary emphasis of this Association. That one thing is the kingdom of God. His kingdom is first. This is the absolute law of precedence for the Christian. Nothing can be allowed to take the kingdom's claim for supremacy. Not food, clothing or even life itself. Before we pray for daily bread our petition must be "Thy Kingdom Come". In God's plan the redemption of the world stands first. For this He gave His first born. For this He claims our first fruits. We can be an Association pleasing to God without a great number of church buildings or even a large number of members; but when this Association has lost the Saviours compassion and forgotten her mission to the unredeemed she has lost her soul. Other things are important; but this is supreme; failing in this, we succeed in nothing.

With a consciousness of our high calling, let us as ministers and delegates put

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into our meeting this week the best that we possess. Let us see to it that the hours which we shall spend here be full of inspiration, full of fellowship, and full of increased knowledge to the end that unity and progress may be the happy passions of this Association.

There is need for greater evangelism in this bound. Last year one hundred and forty persons were baptized in this Association. This was an increase over the previous year. Yet this increase was only an average of seven additional members per church. Therefore we urge every church to do more evangelistic work that the lost may be found and the back-slider may be reclaimed.

The prayer life of the church is too low. How many churches in this bound have a weekly prayer meeting? Preaching once a month is not enough to keep up the spiritual life of the church in this day when sin is growing mountain tall. There should be a weekly prayer meeting in every church. The deacons should lead these meetings and help to improve the spiritual life of the church.

In order to escape the guilt of allowing the Sabbath to be kept unholy by many of our people, due to the lack of inadequate Sunday School facilities. We urge that the pastor who is the general supervisor and the spiritual adviser of the church with its various departments see that an active Sunday School is maintained in his church and he engage himself every Sunday as a teacher of God's word in the Sunday School. God has said "My Word Shall Not Return to me Void, but it Shall Accomplish That Which I Please, and it Shall Prosper". Therefore, teaching God's word in the Sunday School will do much good in advancing His Kingdom.

Let me say a word about education and especially religious education. Education is one of the imperative needs of the present age, and it is essential to living a successful, helpful and complete life. Since we have to pay taxes for public education, we should see to it that our children attend the public school as many days as possible, that they take advantage of the splendid schools in every community and the opportunities which they offer for learning.

The day will soon come when an illiterate man can't preach to the people. It will be necessary for the young men who are planning to enter the ministry to prepare themselves spiritually and mentally. Shaw University stands ready to receive all worthy young men desiring religious education and ministerial training.

We urge that this Association encourage the young ministers of this bound to enter Shaw and as far as possible this Association give to Shaw its moral and financial support.

In conclusion, I would have you to remember that God gives His blessings to us in order that we may bless others. "I Will Bless Thee," He said to Abraham, "And Be Thou a Blessing." We have no right to ask for ourselves unless we are at the same time willing to be the channel through which God's grace may flow to our fellowmen. My prayer is that the christian influence of this Association might be felt in Granville County, in North Carolina and to the utmost parts of the earth.

Allow me to submit the following recommendations for your prayerful consideration:

1. That the ordaining council constitute the Executive Board, vested with authority to consider and act upon all matters that may arise during the year pertaining to this Association.
2. That the Woman's Auxiliary be given a larger share of Associational work—(Missionary work).
3. That every Sunday School be urged to represent themselves in the Association.
4. That the Association help the Colored Orphanage at Oxford.

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FORM OF CHURCH LETTER

The ----- Baptist Church
----- County, North Carolina
----- Association—GREETINGS:

Dear Brethren:—Through the mercy and grace of Almighty God, we are permitted to communicate with you again in your Annual Session.

The condition of our Church-----
and -----

as Messenger. Receive them in love.

We have collected and paid out:

Baptized	-	-	-	-	-----
Dismissed	-	-	-	-	-----
Restored	-	-	-	-	-----
Received by letter	-	-			-----
Excluded	-	-	-	-	-----
Deaths	-	-	-	-	-----
Total	-	-	-	-	-----

For Pastor	-----	\$	-----
For Home Missions	-----	\$	-----
For Foreign Missions	-----	\$	-----
For Orphan Asylum	-----	\$	-----
For Building and Repairing Meeting House	-----	\$	-----
For Educational Purposes	-----	\$	-----
For Sick and Poor	-----	\$	-----
For Incidentals	-----	\$	-----

Brought to the Association:

For Repairing Church	-----	\$	-----
For Education, Home and Foreign Missions, Old Folks'			
Home	-----	\$	-----
Total paid out	-----	\$	-----
Valuation of Church Property	-----	\$	-----

May the Great Head of the Church preside over your deliberations.

-----, *Pastor*
-----, *Clerk*

NAME OF CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	ADDRESSES	Day of Service	Received by Baptism
Vernon Hill -----	Rev. J. C. Lyon -----	Bro. A. F. Thomas -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 1 -----	3	2
Goshen Hill -----	Rev. J. H. Street -----	Bro. M. A. Allen -----	Goshen, N. C. -----	2	5
Blue Wing -----	Rev. D. P. Lewis -----	Bro. O. L. Cunningham -----	Virgilina, Va. -----	1	20
N. J. Creek -----	Rev. G. W. Thomas -----	Bro. S. H. Puryear -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 2 -----	4	10
St. Matthews -----	Rev. Samuel Harris -----	Mrs. H. Stovall -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 5 -----	2	13
N. G. Creek -----	Rev. H. Haskins -----	Mrs. P. T. Smith -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 2 -----	3	6
Mt. Spring -----	Rev. Batt Green -----	Bro. Robert J. Jones -----	Oxford, N. C. -----	1	3
Harris Hill -----		Miss Thomas -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 1 -----	2	
White Rock -----	Rev. M. G. Green -----	Bro. W. Green -----	Oxford, N. C., Rt. 1 -----	4	7
Aaron Creek -----	Rev. Batt Green -----	Bro. E. B. Noward -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 5 -----	4	4
Baptist Grove -----	Rev. G. L. Smith -----	Bro. B. Green -----	Bullock, N. C. -----	2	5
Davis Chapel -----	Rev. H. Haskins -----	Mrs. B. Smith -----	Bullock, N. C. -----	1	5
Hardie Grove -----	Rev. J. H. A. Jenkins -----	Mrs. N. Wilson -----	Oxford, N. C., Rt. 4 -----	1	11
N. Corinth -----	Rev. G. W. Thomas -----	Bro. T. Satterwhite -----	Oxford, N. C., Rt. 4 -----	1	9
Mt. Gideon -----	Rev. Batt Green -----	Bro. W. E. Townsend -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 1 -----	3	2
Nelson Chapel -----	Rev. Frank Smith -----	Mrs. Ida Criss -----	Virgilina, Va., Rt. 1 -----	1	6
Michels Creek -----	Rev. P. J. Jones -----	Bro. W. Wimbush -----	Oxford, N. C. -----	2	
Whet Stone -----	Rev. Batt Green -----	Bro. C. Pettiford -----	Oxford, N. C., Rt. 4 -----	2	14
Stovall Chapel -----	Rev. J. H. A. Jenkins -----	Bro. B. Crews -----	Oxford, N. C., Rt. 5 -----	3	
N. Hope Granville -----	Rev. J. T. Peace -----	Bro. L. Oakley -----	Oxford, N. C., Rt. 1 -----	1	4
Morning Star -----				1	4

